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SENATE BILL

No. 980

Introduced by Senator Padilla

February 23, 2007

An act to ~~amend Sections 25300, 25302.5, and 25303 of the Public Resources~~ *add Section 9503 to the Public Utilities Code*, relating to energy.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 980, as amended, Padilla. Energy: ~~integrated energy policy report. local publicly owned utilities: adequacy of electric distribution system.~~

~~Existing law requires that beginning November 1, 2003, and every 2 years thereafter, the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission to adopt an integrated energy policy report containing certain required information.~~

Under existing law, the Public Utilities Commission has regulatory authority over public utilities and is authorized to establish rules for all public utilities, subject to control by the Legislature.

This bill would require the commission, ~~as part of the integrated energy policy report~~, to evaluate, *by November 1, 2009*, the adequacy of the electric distribution system, *as defined*, ~~of each the 10 largest local publicly owned electric-utility utilities, as defined~~, in the state pursuant to specified requirements.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 *SECTION 1. Section 9503 is added to the Public Utilities Code,*
2 *to read:*

3 9503. (a) *By November 1, 2009, the commission shall evaluate*
4 *the adequacy of the electric distribution system for the 10 largest*
5 *local publicly owned electric utilities, as defined in Section 9604,*
6 *in the state, based on the number of customers.*

7 (b) *The evaluation shall consider all of the following:*

8 (1) *The age and expected life of system components.*

9 (2) *Adequacy of maintenance.*

10 (3) *Level of recent and planned investment.*

11 (4) *Opportunities for improved energy efficiency from high*
12 *efficiency transformers.*

13 (5) *Performance reliability and system restoration after outages.*

14 (6) *Other characteristics the commission determines are*
15 *appropriate.*

16 (c) *The evaluation shall compare the adequacy of the electric*
17 *distribution systems of local publicly owned electric utilities with*
18 *investor owned utilities.*

19 (d) *For purposes of this section, “electric distribution system”*
20 *includes all lines, substations, equipment, and facilities from the*
21 *transmission system to the customer meter, and all facilities for*
22 *operating and controlling that system.*

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25 **All matter omitted in this version of the bill**
26 **appears in the bill as amended in the**
27 **Senate, April 9, 2007. (JR11)**
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